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DURROW PARISH NEWSLETTER

Thoughts for the Day - Too Long...

Too long my heart has grieved, too long. I knew it when I heard the song that rippled from the blackbird's throat for with the rapture of that note there came a sudden sweet release, and an inner sense of peace on my wounded spirit stole, bringing healing to my soul. Instead of bitterness and pain, my heart remembered once again, the things that I had thrust away, the memories of yesterday. I found again my lost belief. I had forgotten in my grief, that the world was beautiful & that God was merciful.

LOCAL news:

CAKE SALE IN AID OF CUISLE CENTRE: Durrow Development Forum will hold a Cake Sale to support the Cuisle Centre, Portlaoise on Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th of April after both Masses. Cakes can be dropped in for sale before Mass on each day. Please do call in for a cup of tea, coffee, cake and a chat to support this very worthy and local cause.

USED CLOTHES COLLECTION IN AID OF DURROW COMMUNITY CENTRE: The committee are holding a used clothes collection which will be collected from the Community Hall at the end of April. Bags of used clothes can be left into the Hall each morning, 9.00am to 1.00pm from now until the end of April. No duvets, pillows or cushions to be included as they will not be accepted. This is an opportunity to do a clean-out of used clothes and by doing so, you will be supporting the Community Centre and The National Council for the blind - and this would be very much appreciated!

DDF TIDY TOWNS: Durrow Development Forum would like to thank everybody who came to the Tidy Towns meeting. The support was greatly appreciated and the meeting for both residents and businesses was enlightening. We look forward to working together over the coming months to improve Durrow and for those who could not attend, we look forward to seeing you at the next meeting.

SCARECROW FESTIVAL BRING AND BUY SALE: Unfortunately we are unable to run the bring and buy sale during the week at this years Scarecrow Festival due to the increased entertainment and lack of room. It was a very difficult decision to make and we apologise to all our regular participants.

SCARECROW VOLUNTEERS MEETING: There will be a Scarecrow volunteer meeting in the Library, Durrow at 8.00pm on Wednesday 5th April. If you would like to be involved in the festival, be it for an hour or more, please do come and meet on the night. Also if you have an idea for a scarecrow but are unsure of how to put it all together, please do come to the short meeting and our committee will be happy to discuss and assist you with same.

SCARECROW CAMP VOLUNTEERS: For any young adult or college student - are you interested in working with young people? Now is your chance to see if this is a career path that will suit you. If you would like to volunteer for the annual Scarecrow Summer Camp, please contact us through our Facebook Scarecrow Page as soon as possible so we can arrange Garda Vetting and bring you on board for the 2017 Scarecrow Festival!

CULLOHILL NATIONAL SCHOOL: The School is now enrolling new pupils for the 2017-2018 term. Please contact the School at (057) 8737281 for further details.

LIVE WEATHER DATA: Visit www.laoisweather.com for the latest weather data from Durrow.